

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2141
ANSWERED ON:29.11.2016
Police-Public Ratio
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details regarding the present police-public ratio in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the said ratio is as per the recommendations of the UN;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor along with the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) to (d): The details of present police-public ratio in the country is at Annexure-I. As per the recommendations of the UN, it should be 222 police personnel for one lakh citizens. In the country, there are 139 police personnel for one lakh citizens, as per data compiled by BPR&D.

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As 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects, falling in List II (Entry 1 and 2) of Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India, it is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments to ensure adequate provision of police personnel in respective States and improve police-population ratio. The Central Government has been advising the States to fill up the vacancies in police force and to initiate a time bound action plan.

Further, to fill up the vacancies of IPS Officers, the batch-size of IPS (direct recruitment) has been increased from 88 to 103 from Civil Services Examination (CSE) 2005 to 2008 and to 150 with effect from CSE, 2009. Besides the above, the process of appointment to the Indian Police Service by promotion from State Police Service has been accelerated.
